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1. At approximately 0700 hours on 21 October 1960, 10 to 12 tanks shaped like railway petroleum cars, but each holding at least 20,000 liters, were counted at the petroleum installation at Klaipeda. In addition, there were four upright tanks seven meters high and one upright tank ten meters tall. Two or three oil tankers with a capacity estimated at 15,000 tons each were loaded in less than two days. No railroad cars were noticed near the petroleum installation. A local resident confirmed that all petroleum shipped to Klaipeda arrives by rail.

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- a. Upon entering the harbor the depth was measured at 2.7 meters and upon leaving the depth was measured at 5.5 meters. The variance in the two soundings cannot be explained.

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- b. The corrected soundings show the shallowest depth in the entrance to be 9.1 meters. Between the Oil Quay and the Coal Quay (the southerly ballast quay) is a shoal over which the shallowest depth measured was approximately 7.3 meters. The depth from the entrance to this shoal measured evenly 9.2 meters.

- c. Off the outer moles a sandpump and a dredger were observed. Off the Oil Harbor two dredgers were observed at the point

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- d. At the Coal Quay were four 8 to 10-ton cranes.

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3. The guard in the harbor consisted of one soldier at each ship and several patrolling the harbor. These soldiers wore brownish uniforms with green square patches on the lapels. On the patches were sewed brass wreaths with a star in the middle. Their caps were made of green material. Many military personnel were seen in the town, most of them in army uniforms, but also some seamen and some officers or non-commissioned officers of the navy.
4. The impression one received of Klaipeda was that it was uncomfortable. The people seemed sad and aimless, were poorly clothed and not particularly clean. The buildings were poorly maintained. The shops seemed poor and the stocks were sparse. The prices were high.
5. At the naval Quay was observed a naval vessel

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Comments:

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1. It must be concluded that the harbor is to be dredged to a depth of approximately 30 feet as far as the Oil Quay. This depth would accommodate a tanker of 12,000 tons.

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